TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

1700 North Congress, Suite 800 Austin, Texas 78711 (512) 463-1295

Veterans Services Representative I (Claims) Salary Schedule B13 Salary: \$2500.00

Posting No. 14-23

Opening Date: 10-25-13

Class No. 5104

Closing Date: 10-30-13

Job Location: Waco Regional Office

WIT#: 6916401

Waco, TX

The Texas Veterans Commission is committed to hiring Veterans and is proud to employ the highest percentage of Veterans among all state agencies.

This position has been approved for VA educational benefits. Qualifying Veterans, reservists and dependents eligible under the Montgomery GI Bill may receive monthly VA educational benefits during their 18 months of on-the-job training.

Job Description: Performs routine (entry-level) work involving counseling and claims work. Must perform work as a claims technician assisting veterans and their dependents. Veterans County Service Officers and employees of the Commission. Works under close supervision with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment. Duties include but are not limited to the following:

- Interviews veterans and other eligibles to record and assess benefit information to determine client needs.
- Prepares and files claims and supporting evidence for successful adjudication.
- Counsels and assists veterans and other eligibles in obtaining benefits, rights, entitlements and other supportive services.
- Consults with medical and legal staff in the development of pertinent evidence to support claims.
- Must have the ability to understand and apply Department of Veterans Affairs rules and regulations when reviewing VA documents and veterans claim folders.
- Performs case management services and maintains client files.
- May prepare and submit written briefs.
- May represent the agency at public information programs, conduct briefings and/or presentations on veterans' benefits.
- Must have the ability to analyze and solve problems.
- Must be skilled in the use of computers. Microsoft Office Suite is strongly preferred
- Travel maybe required for work related functions. A valid Texas driver's license is required.
- Work hours other than 8-5 may be required
- Performs related work as assigned.

Experience and Education: Experience in veterans' benefits counseling preferred. Graduation from an accredited four year college or university with major course work in social work, business management, political science or a related field is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Ability to interpret laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the processing of veterans' claims. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. Ability to provide exceptional customer service to our clients.

Note: Veterans, Reservist or Guardsmen with an MOS or additional duties that fall in the fields of Medical Corps, Human Resources Specialist, Career Counselor, Administrative, Military Intelligence (Analyst), Judge Advocate Corps, or other related fields pertaining to the minimum experience requirements may meet the minimum qualifications for this position. Please call the Human Resources Division at (512) 463-1295 for additional information.

How to Apply:

Applications may be requested from the Texas Veterans Commission, 1700 N. Congress, Austin, Texas 78711, (512) 463-6564 or downloaded from the Texas Workforce Commission website: https://wit.twc.state.tx.us. Only mailed applications will be accepted by the Texas Veterans Commission, Attn: Lori Holle, Staff Services Officer, 701 Clay Ave, Waco, Texas 76799. Applications must be postmarked by the closing date in order to be considered for this position.

In order to receive Veterans' preference, a copy of Form DD #214 must be submitted with the State of Texas Application.

This position has been designated as a security sensitive position. A criminal background investigation will be conducted on the final candidate for the position.

Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of State Applications

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